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FILING DATE FIRST NAMED INVENTOR ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. SERIAL NUMBER 08/504,547 07/20/95 PAN 2224-0103P **EXAMINER** 12M2/0624 BIRCH STEWART KOLASCH AND BIRCH ART UNIT PAPER NUMBER P 0 BOX 747 FALLS CHURCH VA 22040-0747 1204 06/24/97 DATE MAILED: This is a communication from the examiner in charge of your application. COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS ☐ This application has been examined ☐ Responsive to communication filed on 18 Mar 97 ☐ This action is made final. A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire _____ month(s), __3\(\omega\) days from the date of this letter. Failure to respond within the period for response will cause the application to become abandoned. 35 U.S.C. 133 Part I THE FOLLOWING ATTACHMENT(S) ARE PART OF THIS ACTION: 2. Notice of Draftsman's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948. Notice of References Cited by Examiner, PTO-892. 4. Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152. 3. Notice of Art Cited by Applicant, PTO-1449. 5. Information on How to Effect Drawing Changes, PTO-1474... Part II SUMMARY OF ACTION 1. Claims Of the above, claims 24-30 2. Claims 3. Claims ___ 5. Claims are objected to. _____ are subject to restriction or election requirement. 7. This application has been filed with informal drawings under 37 C.F.R. 1.85 which are acceptable for examination purposes. 8. Formal drawings are required in response to this Office action. 9. The corrected or substitute drawings have been received on ____ _. Under 37 C.F.R. 1.84 these drawings are acceptable; not acceptable (see explanation or Notice of Draftsman's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948). The proposed additional or substitute sheet(s) of drawings, filed on ____ _____ has (have) been approved by the examiner; disapproved by the examiner (see explanation). ____, has been approved; disapproved (see explanation). 11. ___ The proposed drawing correction, filed ____ 12. 🔲 Acknowledgement is made of the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119. The certified copy has 🛮 been received 🚨 not been received Deen filed in parent application, serial no. _____ ; filed on ___ 13. 🔀 Since this application apppears to be in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213. 14. Other

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This application is in condition for allowance except for the presence of claims 24-30 to an invention non-elected with traverse in Paper No 9-16-96 and 9-77-96. Applicant is given ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the date of this letter, whichever is longer, to cancel the noted claims or take other appropriate action (37 CFR 1.144). Failure to take action during this period will be treated as authorization to cancel the noted claims by Examiner's Amendment and pass the case to issue. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) will not be permitted since this application will be passed to issue.

The prosecution of this case is closed except for consideration of the above matter.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Examiner Paul Killos at telephone number (703) 308-0135.

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June 23,1997

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